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1. EMBASSY HAS RETAINED GORDEN SMITH GILLETTE, A GEORGETOWN SOLICITOR, AS LOCAL COUNSEL IN CONNECTION WITH QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE DISPOSITION OF PEOPLE'S TEMPLE PROPERTY IN GUYANA. GILLETTE HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF THE BAR FOR 27 YEARS. HE SERVED AS CHIEF PROSECUTOR AND NATIONAL OMBUDSMAN BEFORE RE-ENTERING PRIVATE PRACTICE IN 1 76.

2. DCM AND L REPRESENTATIVE MET WITH GILLETTE DEC 4 AND DESCRIBED LEGAL QUESTION UPON WHICH ADVICE OF LOCAL COUNSEL WAS NEEDED. HE DOES NOT CHARGE AN HOURLY RATE, AND WAS UNWILLING TO SPECULATE REGARDING HIS FEE BECAUSE OF THE COMPLICATED NATURE OF THE PROBLEM. HE HAS BEEN INFORMED OF THE EMBASSY MAXIMUM AUTHORIZATION OF $1,000.00 U.S.

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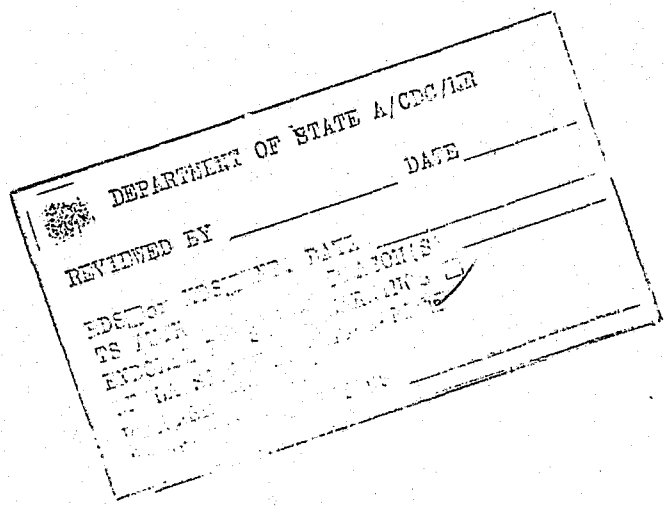

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